



CITIZEN POLICE ADVISORY REVIEW BOARD MEETING NOTES

Chair Bottka-Smith called the regular meeting of the Citizen Police Advisory Review Board (CPARB) to order on Tuesday, February 17, 2004 at 5:37 p.m. in the Main Library, Lower Level Meeting Room, 101 N. Stone Avenue, Tucson, Arizona.

Commission Members	Representing	Present/Absent
Suzanne Elefante	Mayor	Present
Ida Wilber	Ward 1	Present (arrived at 5:44 p.m.)
Elizabeth Bottka-Smith, Chair	Ward 2	Present
Vicki Ann Hart, Vice Chair	Ward 3	Present
Cynthia Schiesel	Ward 4	Present (departed at 7:08 p.m.)
Holli McGarry	Ward 5	Present (arrived at 5:42 p.m.)
William O. Wills	Ward 6	Absent
Advisory Members		
Charles A. Lagattuta	CPARB	Absent
Susan Thornton	CPARB	Present
Jeremy A. Tor	CPARB	Present
Vacant		
Ex-Officio Non-Voting Members		
Andrea Ibáñez	City Manager	Present
Captain Bill Washington	TPD	Present
Officer Craig Kerlin	TPOA	Absent

Staff Present
Assistant Chief John Leavitt, TPD
Lt. Perry Tarrant, TPD
Lt. Jim McShea, TPD
Lewis M. Anderson, City Attorney's Office
Liana Perez, Independent Police Auditor (arrived at 6:30 p.m.)
Ceci Sotomayor, Recording Secretary
Visitors

AGENDA ITEM	MOTION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY
1. Call to Order / Roll Call: 5:37 p.m.			
2. Council Member Jose Ibarra – Ward One		Council Member Ibarra was not able to attend.	
3. Approval of Notes of January 20, 2004.	MOTION by Ms. Schiesel, second by Ms. Elefante to approve the notes of 01/20/2004 with corrections. Voice vote passed 4 to 0.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correction was made to Item #14, page 7, to reflect the correct date for the Employee Recognition Awards Ceremony. The correct date is the 18th of February. Correction was made to Item #10, page 5 to re-phrase the sentence that read: “She the citizen and outside perspective to the committee.” The corrected sentence will read: “She will bring the citizen and outside perspective to the committee.” 	
4. Call to the Audience		There were no citizens wishing to address the Board.	
5. Red Tag	MOTION by Ms. Elefante, seconded by Ms. Hart to send a letter to Chief Miranda to convey the Board’s concerns of unfair disbursement of Red Tags. Vote of 4 in favor and 2 not in favor.	Captain Washington distributed information on policies, city codes, directives and statistics concerning the issuance of Red Tags. According to statistics, overall 75% of the time that TPD responds to unruly gatherings, a Red Tag is posted. There have been many discussions by the Board on this issue and Board members again expressed their concerns with the apparent unequal distribution of Red Tag’s throughout the city with the midtown area and young people in general being targeted.	Mr. Tor will draft the letter to Chief Miranda. Letter will be reviewed at the March meeting, prior to sending.
6. Tucson Police Department A) TPD Updates		A) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Captain Washington reported there were 3 officer involved shootings recently. There are ongoing BOIs in all three shootings. Preliminary reviews indicate that all three shootings were within department guidelines. The Patrick Hardesty Service Center was recently dedicated. When it opens, it will 	A)

B) Office of Internal Affairs		<p>house the Midtown Police Substation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair Bottka-Smith asked if the Tucson Police Department is planning to send representatives to attend the National Concerns of Police Survivors' Seminars held in conjunction with National Police Week in May, in Washington D.C. <p>B) The "On Target" system is online. IA has spent the last month training on the system.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capt Washington will inquire and report back to the Board in March.
7. Comments to Mayor and City Council		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January comments to Mayor & Council were distributed. These will be discussed at the March meeting since members did not have an opportunity review them prior to the meeting. The items discussed this meeting were the handouts distributed at last months meeting—contacts during December. Chair Bottka-Smith requested that in the future these contacts be forwarded to the City Clerk's office in time to be included for the monthly mailings. Additionally, she asked that each contact be annotated with the status of the action taken. Reference inquiry 13956, Chair Bottka-Smith asked if TPD uses an outside agency to conduct independent investigations on major incidents. Captain Washington responded that TPD typically investigates all their cases. Only very seldom would the department ask for an investigation by another agency. Reference inquiry 13967, Chair Bottka-Smith asked based on whose abusive actions was a file opened. Lt. McShea explained the caller was being verbally abusive to City staff. Chair Bottka-Smith expressed her general concern with the administrative quality of the comments. There are many typographical and grammatical errors throughout the comments that detract from the content. 	
8. RECESS		Not Taken	

<p>9. Office of Independent Police Auditor</p> <p>A) Monthly Contacts</p> <p>B) Community Outreach / Programs Update</p>		<p>A) There were no questions reference the monthly contacts.</p> <p>B)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Perez trained the new CPARB members on the 11th of February. • Ms. Perez reported that the new TPD software has also affected her office and how reports are generated. • Ms. Perez spoke about the mediation program. It has been slow taking off. There have been several cases identified as appropriate for mediation and the officers are willing to participate, but the citizens have not followed through with the commitment. She plans to meet with the coordinator for the mediation program from Our Town Family Services for suggestions. 	
<p>10. Random Review of TPD Complaints</p>		<p>A) 0307I00068. By consensus, the Board agreed that the investigation was fair and thorough but had some comments which will be included in the review report</p> <p>B) 0308I00014. By consensus, the Board agreed that the investigation was fair and thorough but had some comments which will be included in the review report.</p> <p>C) 0310I00045. By consensus, the Board agreed that the investigation was fair and thorough but questions the disposition.</p>	
<p>11. CPARB Ordinance and Rules and Regulations</p>	<p>MOTION by Ms. Elefante, seconded by Vice Chair Hart, to adopt the amended Rules and Regulations. Passed by a voice vote of 5 – 0.</p>	<p>Chair Bottka-Smith and Vice Chair Hart attended the Mayor and Council study session of January 26th during which The Good Government Subcommittee's recommendations were reviewed and discussed. Mayor and Council approved the subcommittee's recommendations resulting in the amendment of the Ordinance and the Rules and Regulations governing CPARB. The amended Rules and Regulations were included in everyone's packets.</p>	<p>City Clerk's office to include amended City Ordinance governing CPARB in next month's packets.</p>

15. Report from the Chair / Announcements		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TPD Employee Recognition Awards Ceremony is February 18th. Chair Bottka-Smith hopes for maximum participation. Chair Bottka-Smith announced that this meeting is her last as chairperson of CPARB. She announced that she has enjoyed her position as Chair and appreciates the support from everyone. 	
16. Election of New Officers	<p>MOTION by Ms. Elefante, seconded by Ms. Wilber to nominate Ms. Hart at Chair of CPARB. Passed by a voice vote of 5 – 0.</p> <p>MOTION by Ms. Elefante, seconded by Ms. Wilber to nominate Ms. Bottka-Smith for the position of Vice Chair. Passed by a voice vote of 5 – 0.</p>	Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair were brought forward and voted on.	
17. Adjournment: - Time: 7:25 p.m.	Motion by Ms. Elefante, seconded by Ms. Wilber to adjourn. Passed by a voice vote of 5 to 0.		

Pursuant to Mayor and Council direction (Regular Session, September 15, 1975) the Committee's minutes are transcribed in a summary style format. Expanded versions of certain specific items, as determined by the Chairperson of the Committee, will be provided upon request. These summary minutes comply with the requirements of the State's Open Public Meeting Law.

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